

Governor Markell Orders Flags Lowered in Honor of Family Court Judge Alan N. Cooper

DOVER – With the passing of Family Court Judge Alan N. Cooper on October 18, 2015, Governor Markell has ordered the American and Delaware flags at state buildings and facilities be flown at half-staff beginning on the morning of October 22, 2015, as a mark of respect for Judge Cooper and his ten years of public service to the State of Delaware as a Family Court Judge. Prior to his appointment to Family Court, Judge Cooper was a founding partner at the law firm of Berkowitz, Schagrin & Cooper, P.A. While in private practice, he was a volunteer for Delaware Volunteer Legal Services, the Office of the Child Advocate, and the Victim's Advocacy Program and was the recipient of Delaware Volunteer Legal Services' Outstanding Pro Bono Service award in 2002. He carried his sense of commitment to the community with him to the Family Court, leading many of the court's initiatives for systems change, particularly in the area of domestic violence.

Flags are to be returned to full-staff at the close of business on Friday, October 23, 2015.